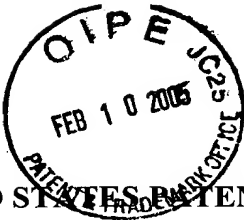


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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Alfred THIARD-LAFORET et al.

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EXPRESS ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.138

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SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

☒ **Express Abandonment**

Applicant's Representative requests that the above-identified application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this paper.

☐ **Express Abandonment in Favor of a Continuing Application**

Applicant's Representative requests that the above-identified application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded the continuing application filed herewith.

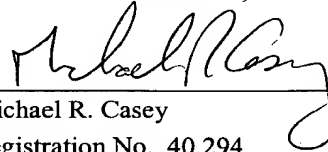
☐ **Petition for Express Abandonment to Avoid Publication under 37 C.F.R. 1.128(c)**

Applicant's Representative hereby petitions to expressly abandon the above-identified application under 37 CFR 1.138(c) to avoid publication.

The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment form and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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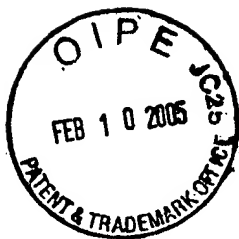
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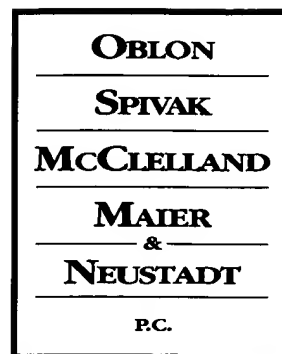
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT
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Our credit card payment form in the amount of \$130.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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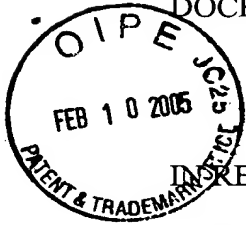
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Patentees herein withdraw the offer to surrender the original U.S. Patent no.
5,659,944, in light of the supplemental amendment filed herewith returning the reissue
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